## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

IN RE:

LOCAL TV ADVERTISING ANTITRUST LITIGATION

This Document Relates to All Actions

MDL No. 2867 No. 1:18-cv-06785

Honorable Virginia M. Kendall

# JOINT STIPULATED MOTION TO STAY ALL CLAIMS AND PENDING DEADLINES FOR SETTLING DEFENDANTS COX MEDIA GROUP, LLC, CBS CORPORATION, AND FOX CORPORATION

Plaintiffs Thoughtworx, Inc. d/b/a MCM Services Group ("Thoughtworx"), One Source Heating & Cooling, LLC ("One Source"), Hunt Adkins, Inc. ("Hunt Adkins"), and Fish Furniture (collectively, the "Plaintiffs"), and Defendants Cox Media Group, LLC ("Cox Media Group"), CBS Corporation ("CBS"), and Fox Corporation ("Fox") (collectively, the "Settling Defendants") submit this joint stipulated motion to stay all claims and pending deadlines for Settling Defendants, stating as follows:

- 1. On March 16, 2022, Plaintiffs filed a Consolidated Third Amended Antitrust Class Action Complaint ("Third Amended Complaint"), ECF No. 556, alleging claims against Settling Defendants Cox Media Group, CBS, and Fox, among others.
- 2. Prior to filing the Third Amended Complaint, Plaintiffs entered into agreements, or agreements in principle, to settle all claims with each of the Settling Defendants. The parties are preparing the necessary paperwork to request the Court's approval of the settlements.
- 3. There is presently a March 30, 2022 deadline for the Settling Defendants to answer or otherwise respond to the Third Amended Complaint.
  - 4. Counsel for Plaintiffs and the Settling Defendants conferred and agree it is

appropriate to stay all claims and all litigation deadlines for the Settling Defendants pending the Court's evaluation of the settlements.

- 5. Settling Defendants have authorized counsel for Plaintiffs to submit this joint stipulated motion to stay on Settling Defendants' behalf.
- 6. No party would be prejudiced by the entry of an order granting the requested relief, and the interests of justice favor the entry of such order.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs and Settling Defendants jointly and respectfully request that the Court enter an order granting this joint stipulated motion to stay all claims against and all litigation deadlines for Settling Defendants in this matter pending the Court's evaluation of the settlements.

Dated: March 22, 2022 Respectfully submitted:

/s/ Robert J. Wozniak

Robert J. Wozniak
FREED KANNER LONDON & MILLEN LLC
2201 Waukegan Road, Suite 130
Bannockburn, IL 60015

Tel: (224) 632-4500 rwozniak@fklmlaw.com

## Liaison Counsel for Plaintiffs

/s/ Megan E. Jones

Megan E. Jones (admitted *pro hac vice*) HAUSFELD LLP 600 Montgomery St., #3200 San Francisco, CA 94111 Tel: (415) 633-1908

mjones@hausfeld.com

Michael D. Hausfeld (admitted *pro hac vice*) Hilary K. Scherrer (admitted *pro hac vice*) HAUSFELD LLP 888 16th Street, N.W. #300 Washington, DC 20006 Tel: (202) 540-7200

mhausfeld@hausfeld.com hscherrer@hausfeld.com

Gary I. Smith, Jr. (admitted *pro hac vice*) HAUSFELD LLP 325 Chestnut Street, Suite 900 Philadelphia, PA 19106 Tel: (215) 985-3270 gsmith@hausfeld.com

## Lead Counsel for Plaintiffs

#### /s/ Meegan Hollywood

Meegan Hollywood (admitted *pro hac vice*) ROBINS KAPLAN LLP 900 Third Avenue, Suite 1900 New York, NY 10022 Tel: (212) 980-7400 mhollywood@robinskaplan.com /s/ Kimberly A. Justice
Kimberly A. Justice
FREED KANNER LONDON & MILLEN LLC
923 Fayette Street
Conshohocken, PA 19428
Tel: (610) 234-6487
kjustice@fklmlaw.com

### Plaintiffs' Steering Committee

#### <u>/s/ Jennifer L. Giordano</u>

Jennifer L. Giordano (admitted *pro hac vice*) Allyson M. Maltas (admitted *pro hac vice*) LATHAM & WATKINS LLP 555 Eleventh St., NW, Suite 1000 Washington, D.C. 20004 Tel: (202) 637.2200 Jennifer.Giordano@lw.com Allyson.Maltas@lw.com

Nicholas J. Siciliano (Bar No. 6287387) LATHAM & WATKINS LLP 330 North Wabash Ave., Suite 2800 Chicago, IL 60611 Tel: (312) 876.7700 Nicholas.Siciliano@lw.com Elyse M. Greenwald (admitted *pro hac vice*) LATHAM & WATKINS LLP 10250 Constellation Blvd. Suite 1100 Los Angeles, CA 90067 Tel: (424) 653.5695 Elyse.Greenwald@lw.com

Counsel for Defendant Cox Media Group, LLC

#### /s/ Yehudah L. Buchweitz

Yehudah L. Buchweitz (admitted *pro hac vice*) WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP 767 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10153 Tel: (212) 310-8526 yehudah.buchweitz@weil.com

Jeff L. White (admitted *pro hac vice*) WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP 2001 M St. N.W., Suite 600 Washington. DC 20036 Tel: (202) 682-7059 jeff.white@weil.com

Brian Alan Sher
Steven Gordon Trubac
BRYAN CAVE LEIGHTON PAISNER LLP
161 North Clark Street, Suite 4300
Chicago, IL 60601-3206
Tel: (312) 602-5000
brian.sher@bclplaw.com
steve.trubac@bclplaw.com

#### Counsel for Defendant CBS Corporation

### /s/ Kenneth S. Reinker

George S. Cary (admitted *pro hac vice*)
Kenneth S. Reinker (admitted *pro hac vice*)
CLEARY GOTTLIEB STEEN & HAMILTON LLP
2112 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20037
Tel: (202) 974-1500
gcary@cgsh.com
kreinker@cgsh.com

Nathan P. Eimer Vanessa G. Jacobsen EIMER STAHL LLP 224 South Michigan Ave. Chicago, IL 60604 Tel: (312) 660-7600 neimer@eimerstahl.com vjacobsen@eimerstahl.com

Counsel for Defendant Fox Corporation